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WITH THE
EDITOR



The most sickening sound you can find during the present times is the pop of a 4-inch boot hurriedly leaving the tire and the result is a hole you can stick your foot. We're sick.

While the Rambler generally gets in a pretty fair rambling space over a period of a week or two we take the back seat this week in lieu of four Decatur Lions who really RAM-BLED on their recent trip to Cleveland, Ohio.

The four men, J. T. (Well) Dunn, Alton B. Lee, E. R. Williams and the new International Director, C. P. Dodson attended the national Lions Convention at Cleveland, Ohio, last week and sure brought home the Lions skin. Lion Dodson polled the most votes on their ticket. Williams was a member of the election committee. Lee was the star politician while Lion President Dunn got acquainted and answered questions concerning Decatur's 25,000 population.

We've asked E. R. Williams to take the column from here and tell a few Texans how the other nations live.

Lion Williams!

Recently the writer accompanied three Decatur citizens to Cleveland, Ohio to attend the International Conference of Lions Clubs. Before leaving he heard a great deal concerning transportation and hotel facilities during the war period. Train transportation when we make a hasty conclusion could be called bad but when one stops to think of the thousands of soldiers and civilians being moved daily by the railroads with inadequate equipment and fewer employees, our hats are off to said railroads for the service they are still rendering the American people.

The railroads have adopted the practice of permitting men in the armed forces to board trains two minutes before civilian passengers. At the crowded Cleveland and St. Louis stations we did not see or hear of a single person being discriminated by this procedure. The American people daily are proving they are for and behind the members of the armed forces.

In the Railroad diners of today one sees an interesting cross section of "We the People." Again the railroads are rendering a catering service that is remarkable when we think of the thousands being fed wholesome food even if there is a scarcity of variety. Again we see the civilians insisting that the soldiers and sailors be fed first.

On the trains we saw many wives and children of our men in service, either going to see their loved ones, or returning home from a visit and again we noted the courteous treatment given them by the overworked railroad employees and their fellow passengers.

Also on this trip, we saw a large number of WAAC's and WAVES and we are for both of these organizations. They are making a mighty contribution to the war effort by releasing trained men in service for active duty which will hasten the end of the war. They are doing efficient work and their conduct at all times is impressive. Frankly we are becoming tired of those WAAC and WAVES jokes. "Let him eat the first stone that is free of sin himself."

Thirty years ago, the writer first visited Cleveland and stayed at the same Statler Hotel in which he was accommodated on this trip. To him Cleveland is a friendly, industrial city spread all over the south side of Lake Erie. In service the Statler continues to set the standards for other hotels. The Statler is still giving its patrons that something extra that has made it famous, even though the staff is now at a new low in numbers.

For a first attendee at an International Conference one is struck, even a Texan, by the enormous size of said conference. All of the fourteen countries composing Lions International are represented. All of the forty-eight states have delegates present.

The color of the conference makes a lingering memory. The Indian costumes of the Florida delegation, the Kentuckians outfitted as Jockeys, the State of Colorado represented by Alpine Mountain Climbers, the

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D. B. C. Trustees Met July 22 For President's Report, Faculty Selected

Trustees of Decatur College met July 22 to hear the president's report and elect a faculty for next session. Dr. J. L. Ward, president, reported that the last indebtedness against the college, which amounted to \$2,000, had been paid during the year, and that the endowment had been increased to about \$42,000.

In addition, \$2,000 in cash improvements have been made on the college buildings.

Along with practically all other colleges, the enrollment was considerably lower than usual last year, but otherwise last year was a good one.

The following faculty was elected for the ensuing year: Dr. J. L. Ward, president; Dr. E. M. Gettys, Ph.D., teacher of Government and History; Prof. O. L. Marney, M.A., teacher of Mathematics; Prof. Harlan L. Steph, M.A., teacher of Science; Rev. Stanley Jordan, B.A., teacher of English and Bible; Mrs. Stanley Jordan, B.A., teacher of Music and Dean of Women; and Miss Jennie Lee Paschal, B.B.A., teacher of business Administration. Mrs. J. L. Ward will continue as deputation. The fall session will open September 15.

RATION REMINDER

GASOLINE—"A" book coupons No. 7, good for four gallons outside the East Coast shortage area, must last through September 21. Within the shortage area "A" book coupons No. 6, good for three gallons each, and "C" coupons cut to two and one-half gallons in twelve of the Northeastern states of the shortage area. "B" and "C" coupons good for three gallons in the remaining five states of the Eastern shortage area. All gasoline coupons in the possession of car owners must be endorsed with the owner's license number and state of registration.

SUGAR—Stamp No. 12, good for 1 lb. through August 15. Stamps Nos. 13 and 14 are good through October 31 for 5 lbs. each for home-use purposes. Housewives may apply to their local ration boards for more if necessary.

COFFEE—Stamp No. 22 (1 lb.) good through August 11.

FUEL OIL—Period 5 coupons valid in all zones through September 30. Period 1 coupons in new fuel oil rations are good for ten gallons each.

Occupants of oil heated homes are urged to return their applications for next year's fuel oil rations to their War Price and Ration Boards promptly.

SHOES—Stamp No. 18 (1 pair) is valid through October 13. Meat, etc. Red stamps P, Q, R, and S, expire July 31. Red stamp T is valid July 21, expires August 31. U is valid August 1, expires August 31. V is valid August 8, expires August 31. W is valid August 15, expires August 31.

To Equalize Gasoline Rations

Equalizing of gasoline rationing throughout the United States east of the Rocky Mountains will be recommended by the Petroleum Administration for war within 60 days. This action, aimed to spread the burden of war equally among all people, will probably result in some increase in gasoline rations in the East and some decrease in the Middle West and Southwest according to Petroleum Administration policy. It is not anticipated that there will be enough gasoline for driving which is not necessary.

Polio Claims Former Decatur Child

Wichita County's first death from infantile paralysis since the disease appeared in this area last month was recorded Sunday morning at 5:30 o'clock in a Wichita Falls hospital when Bobbie Lloyd Thompson, 7, of Electra, died after having been admitted at 3 a.m.

The little boy had been feeling poorly several days, it was said, but became seriously ill only Saturday evening. As soon as the malady was diagnosed as infantile paralysis, he was rushed to the hospital.

Funeral Monday

Private funeral services was conducted Monday at 4 o'clock from the James B. Totten Funeral Home, Interment was at Electra.

Survivors are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Thompson; two brothers, Clyde, Jr., and Billy Don; and two sisters, Emma Jean and Tillie Sue.

Bobbie Lloyd Thompson was a native of Decatur.

Decaturites Use More Ice Than Supply Can Fill

Along with the rationing of coffee, sugar, shoes, etc., has come another inconvenience that can be charged to the war.

All over the country, a temporary shortage of ice has developed. More ice is being made than ever before but, because of Army requirements, the demand is slightly more than the supply. Heretofore, when local ice shortages happened, other nearby plants could help out.

Such assistance now is impossible and ice men everywhere are doing all in their power to distribute their daily supply of ice as fairly among all their customers as possible.

A general rain or other break in the present hot weather will readily relieve the situation and the ice supply would again become normal.

New TP&L Generator Adds 30,000 Kilowatts Power for War Program

A huge new 30,000 kilowatt turbo-generator will be put in operation this week at the Trinidad generating station of Texas Power & Light Co. This tremendous power unit generates enough electricity to supply the power and light needs of a city of 100,000 people. The new equipment is the latest contribution to the war effort by Texas Power & Light Company and will supply more power for victory.

When Texas Power & Light Company built its power station at Trinidad almost 20 years ago, provision was made for increasing its capacity to supply additional power for industrial expansion and population increase of Texas. The design of the plant provided ample space for the installation of additional power machinery. Because of this planning to always keep ahead of demand the huge new turbo-generator was installed at maximum speed and with a minimum use of critical materials. The actual construction of the new machine, the fourth power unit at the Trinidad station, was started in 1419 months before Pearl Harbor.

The additional power provided is distributed over the TP&L's extensive transmission system, interconnected with the transmission systems of several other companies, for use wherever it is needed in Texas or in the Southwest.

The Trinidad power plant, strategically located with respect to vast reservoirs of natural gas and adjacent reserves of lignite, is now, and has been, operated to provide the basic supply of electricity for a large area. John W. Carpenter, president of Texas Power & Light Company, said, "By virtue of its central location, and its nearness to these large fuel reserves, this great generating station is becoming more and more the bulwark of dependability for the

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FSA Provides Loans—Term Credit To Low-income Farms

Three million acres of farm land are going to waste in east Texas today, despite urgent demands for all the food America can produce. To combat this situation, which involves an even greater number of acres only partially used because of "scrub farming" practices, federal agencies and local groups are uniting in a vigorous campaign to turn these idle acres into "fighting acres," according to O. Ray Brown, Farm Security Administration supervisor in Wise county.

"Now is the time, not tomorrow, to begin systematically getting these acres into production," Mr. Brown declares. "Right here in Wise County we have idle acres which should be growing food and feed for freedom."

The FSA supervisor defines idle acres as those capable of producing crops or providing pastures for livestock and now growing up in weeds. Also, land wasted by being left to "farm itself," land used for only one crop a year when it could grow two, and land devoted to one crop when it is better suited to another.

"If two per cent of this Texas idle land was planted in truck crops, it would provide 12,000,000 pounds of vegetables. Planted to feed crops this acreage would supply the needs of 150,000 dairy cattle if fed the proper rations."

It is not proposed that unsuitable land be plowed up, thereby creating another dust bowl, Mr. Brown emphasized.

Lack of Sanitation is Blamed for Epidemic

"Poliomyelitis, the dreaded disease which is spread by a virus infection, is thought to be transmitted from person to person because of a lack of sanitary surroundings and investigations have definitely proven that the virus which causes this disease is found in sewerage," V. M. Ellry, technical supervising engineer for the State Board of Health said this week in conclusion of many experiments by the State officials.

"The possible known modes of infection involve a lack of sanitary method of disposing of sewage, lack of safe water supply, lack of safe milk and food supply, improperly operated swimming pools, breeding of flies and possible contamination by rats," Mr. Ellry further pointed out.

City Manager T. L. Ball, meeting with State Health Officer Virgil B. Moody, County Attorney Tom McMurray and Sheriff Malcolm Branch, reviewed the city's efforts in the extermination of mosquitoes and the success of a clean-up campaign for the extermination of flies and unsanitary sewage conditions rests with the private home owners.

"Many of Decatur's citizens own hogs and have them placed in their back yards," Ball said. "These hogs pens can be kept in a sanitary condition but it will be impossible to completely stop the breeding of flies around these pens and cow lots."

It is a well known fact that faulty septic tanks where the effluent seeps upon the ground and where poorly constructed surface toilets are found, a source of infection is prevalent and corrections should be made at once. The sewage that is unprotected from flies should be disinfected by pouring a milk of lime solution or any other suitable disinfectant over the material to disinfect it and to keep flies from coming in contact with it. If people are not certain as to what they should do, they should contact their City or County Health department and ask their advice as to how the proper corrections should be made.

A safe milk supply is most important and people should be very careful about the milk. If it is impossible to obtain pasteurized milk, the safest milk to get is Grade A raw milk. To those people who have their own milk supply, such as is found in rural areas, the safest thing to do is to heat the milk to the boiling point before consumption. By doing this, the virus which causes the infection will be killed just as it is in pasteurized milk.

The food supply should be very carefully protected from contamination by rats and flies. The handling of food should be according to the sanitary rules and regulations as set up by the health department. Operators of public eating places and public drinking places should be most careful to instruct their employees about personal cleanliness, and to see that the rules and regulations of sanitation are strictly adhered to.

Housewives should be most careful.

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Miss Groves Speaks To Methodist Ladies

In the home of Mrs. James Keith, on July 26, the ladies of the Woman's Society of Christian Service had the privilege of hearing Miss Blanche Groves, returned missionary from China.

Miss Groves, who was introduced by Mrs. C. J. Williams, spoke on missions in general, but gave much special emphasis to that phase of work done by the Methodist church through denominational lines in Missionary fields. She is not stressed, said she, Sochow University and Laura Haywood Normal schools were used as high peaks of interest in the author's talk. "Many, many ladies in the religious, educational and political realm of China have been trained in these schools, and many Christian homes throughout the nation are the result of these institutions."

In closing Miss Groves impressed her listeners with the thought: "Though relentless bombings have destroyed many of the churches, magnificent buildings (the fact remains that, the spirit, which the missionaries led the people of China to possess, is still carrying on."

Preceding Miss Groves' talk Misses Maudlin and Maples sang: "Alone." Mrs. Keith, assisted by Mrs. J. P. Porter, served iced punch and cookies to a large crowd of ladies.

In closing Mrs. VanMeter announced the next meeting of August 2, would be in the church.

—Reporter.

Old - Age Insurance Beneficiaries Return To Employment

July 26 — His country's call brought many a worker from the ranks of the retired to the rolls of the defense plant and allied activities in the Fort Worth area, according to an interview with John G. Hutton, manager of the Fort Worth field of the Social Security Board.

"From statistics compiled by the board, it is clear the same situation prevails throughout the nation," continued Mr. Hutton.

A carpenter, nearing 70 years of age, called at the local field office, saying in effect, "The wife and I have been doing all right on our little place, thanks to the \$42 monthly old-age and survivors insurance check we've been getting. They need carpenters pretty badly and we decided I wasn't too old to again saw a few boards and drive a few nails. So stop my Social Security payments until I tell you to resume them after I retire from covered employment again."

Put pig money in War Bonds and watch them farrow more dollars!



NEWS OF OUR MEN and WOMEN IN UNIFORM

Lieutenant Booth Mooney of Dallas, who has been serving as assistant to the Public Relations Officer at the Army Air Base at Syracuse, N. Y., for quite some time, has now been named Assistant Special Services Officer by Colonel Roy W. Cambling, commanding officer of the Syracuse Base.

He will continue with other duties already assigned to him, including work of editing the camp newspaper at the Air Base, and serving as a member of the Special Courts Martial.

At the time of his entrance into the Army, a year ago, Lt. Mooney was on the editorial staff of the magazine, Southwestern Banking & Industry, published here by Peter Molyneux. Prior to that he had been associate editor of the Texas Weekly. He has been a journalist for many years in Dallas and has at times done special writing for the Dallas News.

Lt. and Mrs. Mooney, the former Nona Esther Young of Decatur, are making their home at 709 Danforth St., Syracuse.

First Class Seaman J. L. Reed has returned to St. Marks, Fla., after a visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Reed.

Lt. Owen Thomas Shaw of Camp Barkley visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Auz Shaw, over the week end.

Pfc. Norman Alexander of Fort Sill, Okla., visited friends in Decatur, Sunday.

Pvt. Charles D. Bradford of Pomona, Calif., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bradford.

Cpl. Leonard Powell of Camp Hann is visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Parker.

Pfc. E. W. Volkman, Jr., Air Craft Mechanic, has returned to Alamogordo after a visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Volkman.

Pfc. Volkman is a graduate of Foster Field and Keesler Field and is now training for overseas duty at Alamogordo.

Pfc. Chas. Greathouse of Sheppard Field visited his wife here, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Lewis have just received word that their son, J. D., has arrived at Alameda, Calif. He finished his aviation mechanic school at Norman, Okla., July 10, where he was promoted from seaman 2-C to Petty Officer, Third class.

Cpl. George Rieger of Camp Hood visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rieger.

Dodson - Milligan Dissolve 19-Year Partnership Wed.

A business partnership of more than 19 years, composed of W. C. Milligan and C. P. Dodson, was this week dissolved by mutual consent.

In the deal, title to the Rice Bldg. in Decatur and the ice properties at Kaufman, Kemp, Crandall and Segoville, pass to Mr. Milligan and his son, Francis. The latter continues as manager at Kaufman.

The ice properties at Decatur, Bridgeport, Chico, Alvord, Royd and Paradise, become the property of C. P. Dodson and son, Ralph.

Mr. Milligan retires from active business and is succeeded by Ralph Dodson as manager of the Wise County properties.

Hon. Ed Gossett Visits FSA Office

The FSA office was honored this week with a pleasant visit by Honorable Ed Gossett, Congressman of the 15th Congressional District, who is enjoying a few days in this warm Texas sun.

After reviewing the progress being made by low-income farmers of Wise County in producing food for war needs, Mr. Gossett was pleased and very elated over the progress shown.

The Clarence D. Hillin of San Bernardino, Calif., visited Mr. and Mrs. Alton Christman here, over the week end.

Hamilton R. Pullingim (Hoot) has written some very interesting letters to his wife from the U. S. Naval Mobile Hospital overseas, where he has been for several weeks. We are using a part of the last two letters.

July 1. I am feeling fine, the food and general surroundings here are wonderful. I had my first liberty last night, but a stranger in a strange city is rather lost. The Red Cross has a place to lounge, read and buy eats, spent some time there. Visited the Masonic club, a very nice place and the men were very friendly. I wanted to attend installation of officers, but would keep me on too late, sure was disappointed. There are Methodist churches here too. I plan to attend the evening service.

The first store I entered when I arrived, down town was a variety store, and across the street there was a Woolworth. Their merchandise ideas are very much like ours, but as a whole the stores are several years behind the type of merchandise is about the same with the exception of brands. Styles of clothing here are very inconsistent, of course the war has had a marked effect. People here get much more service out of their clothes than we do at home. The school boys wear knee trousers and socks up to the knee of 12. I don't see how they keep from freezing. None of the buildings have heat in them, even though it is sleeping and awful cold most of the time, July 3.

Hope you got my cable. Can't say very much. The sun is shining this morning, an unusual sight.

I went on a Red Cross bus tour of the city yesterday. This is one of the most beautiful cities I have ever seen. All the roofs on the houses are painted red and the most beautiful kept shrubs, lawn and gardens I have ever seen.

We stopped at a private home for tea. We were served by several elderly ladies. They were so sweet and nice to us. They really believe in eating. You can't imagine the amount of cookies, cakes and sandwiches they served.

We were served on the porch and lawn. The porch was one of these old Colonial style, and believe it or not, they turned on the radio and it was playing the Eyes of Texas. My but it made me want to be there.

None of my mail has caught up with me. Am sure you have seen the paper and realize that our shipping space consists of things more important than mail, but would like to hear from home.

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SYCAMORE LONE MOUND

Kenneth Branch underwent a tonsil and adenoid operation at Rogers' hospital, last Monday.

Lonnie Pennington of Love Field, Dallas, visited his parents, over the week end.

Mrs. J. P. Thurmond and son, James, of Fort Worth, Jack and Tom Royder of San Antonio visited relatives here, last week.

Miss Ruth and Edith Batmann of Denton visited Mrs. Ruth Widliff, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Young received a letter from their son, Collin, stating that he had been injured in a battle and would be hospitalized for six weeks.

Roy and Glenn D. Murphy of Irving visited relatives here, Sunday morning.

J. L. Bradford is much improved

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Raley of Decatur, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Ivins and son of near Bowie, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Phillips of near Decatur, Pte. Henry Raley of Louisiana, Mrs. Henry Raley of Alvord, Mr. C. E. Farrington of Dallas spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Farrington and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gallyon of North Carolina are visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Farrington.

and will be able to leave the hospital, Wednesday.

Mrs. Bob Young visited Mrs. Archie Morris of Decatur, Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rhine and son were Sycamore visitors, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Coy Stephens, Sunday.

Mrs. W. E. Hodges and family. Mrs. Sarah Bunch of Fort Worth spent part of last week with friends of this community.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Pitts of Grand Prairie spent one night, last week, with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hodges. Mrs. Morris of Terrell, Okla., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Fred Elsom.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Lippard of Alvord spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gilbert.

Mrs. Robert Allred of Decatur spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hodges.

Mrs. Walter Gilbert spent a while, one day last week, with Mrs. Odie Washburn of Alvord.

Mrs. Martha Price died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Walter Gilbert, Sunday, July 18. Her body was laid to rest in the Alvord cemetery.

Miss Jessie Lippard of Alvord spent Sunday with Meridith Hodges. Kenneth Calborn and Gus Ray spent part of last week with Mrs. Jonnie Butler of near Dallas.

Mr. Alfred Prince of Granite, Okla., returned home, Wednesday, after being called to the bedside of his mother, Mrs. Martha Prince, who passed away, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Raley, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Phillips at Decatur spent a while, Monday, with Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Farrington.

Mrs. G. A. Ray passed away, Friday night, at the Decatur hospital. Her body was laid to rest, Sunday, in the Flat Rock cemetery. Mrs. Ray had lived in this community for many years. For the past few years she had made her home in Wichita Falls with her daughter, Mrs. Robert Grozier. She leaves four daughter and a host of other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kuykendall spent some time, one day last week, with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hodges of the Red Door community.

Mrs. Edd Caraway is visiting her

Gems of Thought

IDEAS

A healthful hunger for a great idea is the beauty and blessedness of life.—Jean Ingelow.

Great ideas come when the world needs them. They surround the world's ignorance and press for admission.—Austin Phelps.

Events are only the shells of ideas; and often it is the fluent thought of ages that is crystallized in a moment by the stroke of a pen or the point of a bayonet.—E. H. Chapin.

The changing glow and full effulgence of God's infinite ideas, images, mark the periods of progress.—Mary Baker Eddy.

Ideas go booming through the world louder than cannon. Thoughts are mightier than armies. Principles have achieved more victories than horsemen or chariots.—W. M. Paxton.

It is a lesson which all history teaches wise men to put trust in ideas, and not in circumstances.—Emerson.



**Invasion Costs
More Money—
Up Your Payroll
Savings today**

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Williams, at Goree.

Miss Mildred Gilbert returned to Fort Worth after spending a few days with her parents.



Enough to Go Around

For the first time in years, both farmers and manufacturers can work for the biggest possible yield without thinking about the market. This year they can sell all they can produce.

As things look now, this condition is due to keep up for some time, but we can't count on its lasting forever. Certainly nobody wants a prosperity built on war. So it's high time that everybody concerned—and that is everybody—gave some thought to keeping things running after the war.

You're busy as a bee to are we. The important thing right now is seeing that there's enough of everything to go around, but we've been devoting all our attention

to the problems of the war, too. We feel that the people who have the producing job to do can contribute a lot to the solution of those problems.

And we hope that you, too, busy as you are with growing more food than this country's ever produced, will be turning these problems over in your mind. For if producers farmers and manufacturers, working together, can't find a way to keep the richest country on earth producing enough for everybody, and let the producers make a living in the process—if they can't, why then, who can? General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

Hear the General Electric radio programs: The "Hour of Charm" Sunday nights, 8:00-9:00 p.m. EWT, CBS

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"20 Fighting Men" Shows Graphic Need Of More "Food for Victory"

Farmers and food producers in this community will find much "food for thought" in the wartime Food Production Movie—"Twenty Fighting Men"—to be shown at the Ritz Theatre, July 29, and Majestic July 20 and 31. Produced in the interests of more "Food for Victory" by Purina Mills, St. Louis, Mo., and brought to our local theatre by Cocanougher Feed Store, Purina Dealer, "Twenty Fighting Men" is a graphic presentation of the vital need of additional food production for our armed forces and allies.

The picture opens with dramatic war shots taken from War Department files showing how food has been destroyed all over Europe, how necessary food is to our armed forces abroad, and how quickly farmers have responded to the need for increased wartime production.

Hero of the movie is a typical farm boy, home on leave, who attends a meeting of neighboring farmers and recalls the important role which food is playing in the war. He recites the dramatic incident of how American food captured a North African fort without a shot fired or a life lost.

Based on his former experience on an average U. S. farm, the soldier proves that enough additional food can be produced on each farm through better management, more careful sanitation against disease and parasites, and better feeding to produce enough meat, milk and eggs for twenty fighting men for one year.

The picture ends with a strong appeal from the soldier to his friends to do their part in producing the food for an extra "Twenty Fighting Men" for unless American farmers win their battle of production at home, he states, their sons and brothers cannot win the battle abroad.

The story of "Twenty Fighting Men" speaks to the patriotism and good sense of American farmers through one of their own boys in uniform to make every pound of food do the best possible job and to wage unceasing war on waste, disease and unnecessary production accidents.

The movie is a part of a "Food for Victory" Crusade now being sponsored by Cocanougher Feed Store, a feature of which is the free service of Mr. Cocanougher's employees in assisting local farmers reach their wartime food production goals.

GENERATOR—

users of electric power in the South.

Power is an essential weapon for winning the war and our company has supplied ample power promptly and efficiently for the many military installations and war industries it serves in this area. We have met this emergency demand for additional power needed for the war program and at the same time, have continued to provide the electric service needs of our many thousands of individual customers in the county area we serve.

The Texas Power & Light Company has also aided the national war effort in other sections of the country. With several other companies, TP&L came to the rescue of the Southeastern states by providing power when droughts impaired the Tennessee Valley Authority's power supply. The company at present is supplying power needed at an ammunition plant in Arkansas whose product is essential to the war program.

The Texas Power & Light Company now provides electric service to 17 R. E. A. Cooperatives, and since last December, has been distributing the power produced at Morris Shepard Dam, near Mineral Wells, making available for war industries a large amount of power which would be unavailable if it were not for TP&L transmission lines. The company has also made a proposal to the U. S. Army Engineers to purchase the power output of the new Red River Dam at Denison on terms at least as favorable as for the same character of power produced and sold by T. V. A. and to pass any and all benefits on to the public, thus providing the government with an immediate means of putting the power into good use.

The 1,500 employees of the Texas Power & Light Company are doing a grand and patriotic job on the home front as an organization whose aim is to provide more power for victory. More than 300 company employees are in the armed services, in various parts of the world, fighting on land, on sea and in the air where they offer their lives if necessary. Employees remaining at home are active in the sale of war bonds and stamps and in support of the Red Cross, Civilian Defense and other wartime activities.

STATES POOL ROAD MACHINERY

Thirty-five states, including Texas and Oklahoma, are now operating under the WPB program to pool government-owned road machinery. Under the plan, requirements for critical materials are greatly reduced by making available any surplus or idle equipment to any section of a state which urgently needs it.

Here and there: A store in Houston advertises "Cigaretz."

Decatur Lodge No. 447 A. F. & A. M.
Meets Every 2nd and 4th Thursday
Nights, 8:30 o'clock.
J. A. WOODARD, W. M.
JAS. W. SMITH, Secretary

Farmers Exchange

Free to Wise County Farmers

FOR SALE—60 Ewes and black face buck, good roan baby calves. Glenn Cocanougher, Box 169 Decatur, Phone 116.

LOST—Snap pocketbook, containing 2 double T Stamps No. 173 379 and several dollars in green back. Will pay liberal reward. Glenn Cocanougher, Box 196, Decatur, Phone 116.

FOR SALE—One John Deer double disc plow, 1 John Deer Stag sulkey, 1 Rock Island cultivator, 1 Thomas 10 disc drill, about 250 bales sudan hay. Tom W. Burton, 3 1/2 miles down Ft. Highway.

FOR SALE—125 8 weeks old Leghorn cockerels, 45 cents each. W. A. Caldwell, Decatur, Rt. 3, 1 mile west of Bethel church.

FOR SALE—Carmon grapes, \$1.50 per bushel. J. W. McKissick 5 miles from Decatur, Paradise road.

FOR SALE—3 bunches of white pigs. In good condition. W. Batton, Decatur, Rt. 3.

FOR SALE—1929 Model A Ford car, John E. McDaniel.

FOR SALE—Piano in good condition. Mrs. Ed White.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—V-eight truck, will sell or trade for cattle. W. J. Goodger, Box 263, Boyd, Texas.

FOR SALE—Registered Hereford bulls, Domino breed. W. L. Goodger, Jr., Boyd, Texas.

WILL LEASE stock farm or buy range from 150 to 200 acres. D. L. McWhorter, Alvord, Texas, Route 1.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—1,900-pound spotted mare, work or ride anywhere, colt at side, bred back to Percheron horse. Bay work mare, colt at side, bred back to Percheron horse. Two-year-old male colt, excellent individual. Twenty-six excellent pigs, red and black, a bargain at \$5.00 to \$7.50 each. One double disk 1 1/2 & 0 plow, good condition. Bob Leonard.

FOR SALE—50 White 8 week old cockerels at 45c each.

FOR SALE—150 AAA White Leghorn hens \$1.00 each. C. L. Lons, 1 mile west of Decatur.

CLASSIFIED

FOR SALE—1929 Model A Ford car, John E. McDaniel. 1t

FOR SALE—Farm, 15 acres of sandy land, 4 room house, good condition, orchard and vineyard of grapes and berries. Located five miles north of Decatur on Alvord Highway. Contact C. S. Smith, Walters, Okla., Box 73, or see A. B. Brumalow at adjoining farm. 4tp

WANTED—Unincumbered woman to do light housekeeping. Will furnish room and board and pay reasonable salary. Mrs. John Scott, Decatur, Texas. Phone 183. 1tp.

ALTERATION Lady Wanted. See Hardwick's Tailor Shop. 1tc.

FOR SALE—1940 Oldsmobile Club Coupe. Five good tires, radio, heater. Mechanical perfect. \$900 cash. G. G. Dunaway, Decatur. 1tp.

WANTED TO BUY—1 small children's wagon. Singleton (Colored). 1tp.

GIRL WANTED—For Cafe or house work. Apply Worth Arnette, Phone 267. 1tp.

ANNISVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Strickland and children, Sherry and Russel, of Snyder, Okla., spent week with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Ed White, George and Floyd White and family of Fort Worth, also, spent week end with them.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. White and Mr. Willie White and wife of Dallas visited Mr. Jim White of Wichita, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Short Smith and James visited Mr. Tom Lambert, Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed White visited in

"TARZAN TRIUMPHS"

AT

THE MAJESTIC THEATRE

Friday and Saturday, July 30-31

Elsewhere in the columns of The Messenger is an article from the Health Department stressing the importance of sanitation in preventing the spread of Polio. We have always prided ourselves in the sanitary condition of our Theatres, both of which have clean, washed air,

TO THE CHILDREN

We think it is perfectly safe for you to come to the show,

WE HAVE GOOD STOCKS OF

Roll Roofing, Slate and Smooth
15 and 30 pounds Felt
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Paints and Oil
Carboleneum
Wall Paper and Canvas
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WE HAVE A FAIR STOCK LUMBER

CICERO-SMITH LUMBER CO.

G. M. Moore, Local Manager

Greenwood News

B. C. SLOAN, Cor.

Greenwood, Texas

Uncle Jerry Williamson has gone to Laredo to visit his son, Weaver, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Alexander of Crane spent several days of their vacation here visiting her parents, the L. W. Stills.

J. H. Waggoner of Decatur was here Tuesday looking after his ranch property.

The Jim Rudds of Krum and Newt

Rudd of Waldo, Ark., were visitors in the Brownlee Rudd home, first of last week. Brownlee brought the two elder gentlemen, his father and uncle, to Greenwood, Tuesday afternoon, to visit and renew old acquaintances. Both these gentlemen are brothers to the late J. P. (Jack) Rudd who was a leading business man here, prior to the fire of October, 1922. Mr. Newt Rudd worked in his brother's store here for some

18 months, around 30 years ago. He remembered many of the old timers.

Misses Eleanor Sloan and Roberta Speegle of Denton were visitors in Sloan home, first of the week. They were on their way home from Wichita Falls, where they had visited the Robt. Sloans.

Misses Lillie Mae Howard and June Dumas of Irving spent Monday night with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe B. Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wallace and Mr. Frank Vermillion of Lubbock are visiting their sister and daughter, Miss Laura Vermillion.

Perry Pruitt of Houston visited relatives here, last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Howard were

recent visitors in the home of their daughter, Mrs. J. D. Atkins, beyond Denton. They enjoyed a pleasant day and a good dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jacobs of Galveston are visiting near here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bibb.

M. A. Burt is in a Decatur hospital for medical treatment.

Mrs. J. E. Johnson was greatly surprised a few days ago to see an air plane land just beyond the backyard of their home some four miles northeast of Greenwood. Two men approached and asked for a drink of water, which was immediately forthcoming. They proved to be an instructor and his pupil who was practicing the landing of the plane.

Forrest Wright has been visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Oma True, in Decatur, for several days.

The Orval Walkers visited Mrs. Walker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Rhine, near Decatur, last Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Atkins and sons visited her parents, near Sangre, a few days ago.

Jake True, Loverne True and children, Mrs. Hubbard Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Debs Davis, all from up in the edge of Montague, were Greenwood visitors, Saturday. The Trues report that the new test well, being put down in their community, is making progress. The drill already having reached a depth of more than 13,600 feet. The contracted depth is

9,300 feet, which will be the deepest test so far in this section of Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Boone Cogburn of the Leo community were shopping in Greenwood, Saturday.

Leon Miller and family of Smithfield were here for the week end.

Potsmaster Williamson was in Decatur on business, Saturday.

Hugh Redwine, just across the creek, on Route 4, Decatur, is very ill at his home.

Forisenberry brothers had the misfortune to lose, by fire, a hay barn filled with 800 bales of freshly baled prairie hay. The fire originated from some unknown cause, in a nearby grass field. The baling crew was at work nearby and fought the fire valiantly, before it reached the barn, but being poorly equipped they were unable to extinguish it.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Rodden visited relatives in Sijdel and Era, Sunday.

The Moans had several visitors, Sunday. They were Mrs. Sloan's mother, Mrs. G. J. Lindsey, Comanche, Texas, her brother, W. J. Lindsey, Fort Worth, and his son, Gainer Jack. On their return home, they took with them Julia Anne Lindsey, who had been visiting her aunt for nearly two weeks.

Married

On Friday, July 16, Miss Pauline Morris of Sanger was married in San Diego, Calif., to Pvt. W. A. (Dub) Johnson, U. S. Army, stationed near that city.

The bride is a recent graduate of Sanger high school and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Morris, formerly of this community.

The groom is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. Johnson of Greenwood community and had lived here several years. He has been in the Army for the past several months.

The couple will reside in San Diego while Pvt. Johnson is stationed there.

Rev. Frank Pierce

Rev. Frank Pierce of El Reno, Okla., was here, Monday, meeting old friends and making new ones on the street.

He left on appointment to preach Saturday afternoon in the shade of the big pecan tree near Maxwell's store. The appointment was filled in the presence of a goodly crowd of appreciative hearers.

Rev. Pierce is a popular and forceful preacher and his evangelistic meetings draw large crowds from far and wide. He is especially well known here because of the fact that he was reared in the Rush creek neighborhood, living there a number of years, when he was far from religious as he later became.

He is now 70 years old and has given faithful years in the ministry. Many interesting anecdotes might be related from a history of his life.

One of these, that the writer well remembers and had a part in, occurred some 18 or 20 years ago. Some anonymous person telephoned to some one in Greenwood that Frank Pierce had recently died at a certain place in Oklahoma. Please notify the Rush creek people and ask them to have a grave ready, as the body is to be brought to Rush creek cemetery for burial at 4 p.m.

It took "you" time to deliver the message and he must have made a good job of it. There had been a long rainy season in June and people were just getting back to their neglected crops. But they dropped the plow and the hoe and by mid-afternoon a grave was completed. Four men came, but no funeral procession. The day wore on and night came, but still no "body" to occupy the new-made grave.

When Your Back Hurts -

And Your Strength and Energy Is Below Par

It may be caused by disorder of kidney function that permits poisonous waste to accumulate. For truly many people feel tired, weak and miserable when the kidneys fail to remove excess acids and other waste matter from the blood.

You may suffer nagging backache, rheumatic pains, headaches, dizziness, getting up at night, leg pains, swelling. Sometimes frequent and scanty urination with smarting and burning is another sign that something is wrong with the kidneys or bladder.

There should be no doubt that prompt treatment is wiser than neglect. Use Doan's Pills. It is better to rely on a medicine that has won country-wide approval than on something less favorably known. Doan's have been tried and tested many years. Are at all drug stores. Get Doan's today.

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A best-selling laxative ALL OVER THE SOUTH because it's thrifty and fits most folks needs

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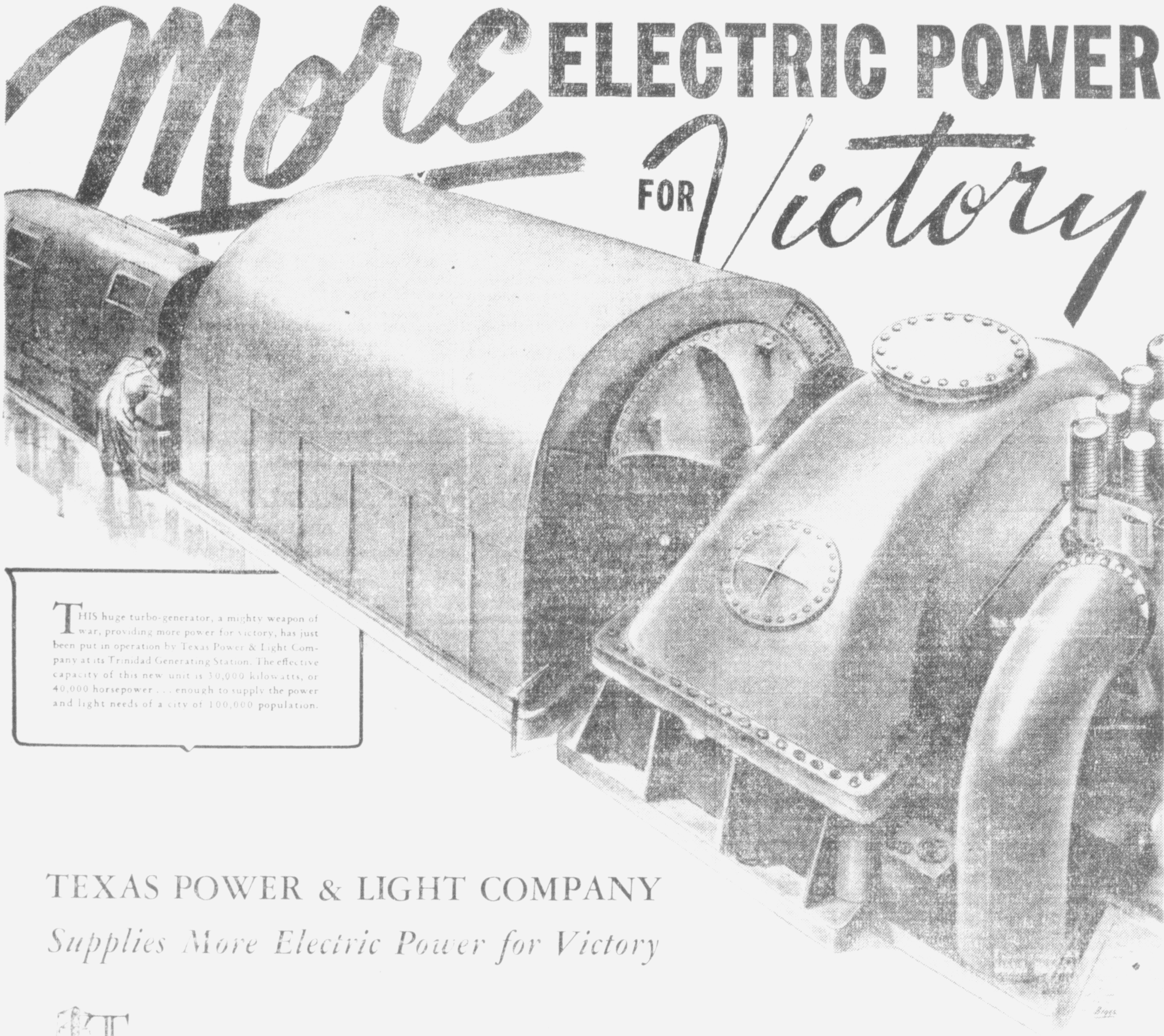
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THIS huge turbo-generator, a mighty weapon of war, providing more power for victory, has just been put in operation by Texas Power & Light Company at its Trinidad Generating Station. The effective capacity of this new unit is 30,000 kilowatts, or 40,000 horsepower... enough to supply the power and light needs of a city of 100,000 population.

TEXAS POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

Supplies More Electric Power for Victory



THIS new 30,000 kilowatt turbo-generator drives machinery in factories producing weapons of war and industrial materials essential to victory. Its pent-up power and energy adds speed and impetus to America's war effort.

The policy of the Texas Power & Light Company is to be *always ready ahead of demand*, and when this great power station was built by the Company at Trinidad almost twenty years ago provision was made for adding this tremendous power unit.

Actual construction of this new turbo-generator was begun in 1941, months before Pearl Harbor. Because of this wise planning for the future in providing space for expansion, the huge machine has been installed at maximum speed and with a minimum use of critical materials. And now, without delay or confusion, the TP&L Company's extensive transmission system... interconnected with the transmission systems of Lower Colorado River Authority, Brazos River Transmission Electric Cooperative, Texas Electric Service Company, Southwestern Gas & Electric Company, and several other neighboring companies... is ready to deliver power from this new turbo-generator for use wherever it is needed in Texas, or in the Southwest.

The Trinidad power plant, strategically located with respect to vast reservoirs of natural gas and adjacent reserves of lignite, is now, and has been, operated to provide the basic supply of electricity for a large area. By virtue of its central location, and its nearness to these large fuel reserves, this great generating station is becoming more and more the bulwark of dependability for the users of Electric Power in the Southwest.

Planning for the future, an axiom of Company policy, has

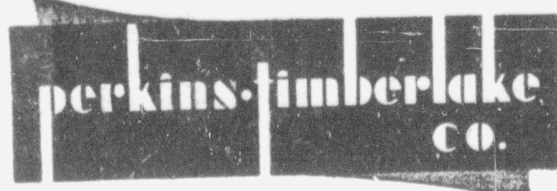
prevented there being at any time any power shortage in the 52-county area served by Texas Power & Light Company. The coming of war, with scores of new military installations added, vast expansion by industry for war production, and a greatly increased population, caused an enormous increase in the demand for power and light service. The Company was found ready, meeting every requirement promptly and efficiently with ample power provided ahead of all needs.

The Company has also aided the national war effort by helping meet critical power requirements of the war program in other areas. When drouth impaired the Tennessee Valley Authority's power supply in the Southeastern states, this Company, with others, came to the rescue and relieved the power shortage in that area. This Company, cooperating with ten other companies in seven other states, is now providing power for a great war plant in Arkansas which is turning out aluminum for our country's war program.

This fourth powerful unit at Trinidad contributes to the efficiency of America in waging victorious war. It stands as an example of that which has made America great... the system of free enterprise, under which men are permitted to use their talents and venture their time and money in planning and building for the present and in anticipation of future needs. Under this system of American industrial-liberty, the factories and industries of Texas and the entire Nation were able to speedily gear their manpower and resources to meet the war-time emergency and thus enable the United States to become in reality the Arsenal of Democracy.

John W. Carpenter
JOHN W. CARPENTER,
President and General Manager.

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Khaki Utility Bags

- Service men call them "furlough bags."
- Vacationists and campers need them.
- The bag for enlistees and inductees.
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Again we have a good stock on hand—again they'll be a "sell-out" . . . this time in one size and two colors.

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REA PROGRAM EXTENDED

The Department of Agriculture has announced new allocations of Rural Electrification loan funds to 16 states and Alaska. In the southwest, allotments were made to: Indian Electric Cooperative, Inc., Cleveland, Okla., \$552,000; McCulloch County Electric Cooperative, Inc., Brady, Texas, \$15,000; Panola-Harrison Electric Cooperative, Inc., Elysian Fields, Texas, \$145,000; and Jasper-Newton Electric Cooperative, Inc., Kirbyville, Texas, \$185,000.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

This coming Sunday night, August 1, we are beginning a revival with Evangelist A. E. Hart of Fort Worth, Texas. We cordially invite the public to attend. We will have special singing with each service. Services begin at 8:15.

Also we would like for you to tune in on our program each Sunday evening at 5:15, station KDNT.

J. T. HORNBER, Pastor.

RAMBLIN'

Beans and Chihuahuas of California and of course, the Cowboys from Texas along with many other different garbs gives the conference a bizarre, yet distinct effect.

On opening day when the flags of the fourteen nations are presented along with a beautiful young lady representing that country and when one remembers that all of these fourteen countries are joined together in a death struggle against the forces of evil, one can not help but choke up with pride for his respective country.

One is also impressed with the reports from the different states and nations of their contributions toward the war effort. The two impressive high points of the report from Texas was the fact that one-third of the U. S. Marine Corps were sons of Texans and the many millions of War Bonds that had been sold by the Lions in Texas compared favorably with the size of our great state. A Texan could not help but chuckle when one of the out-of-state delegates ask him if Texas would make a separate peace with the Axis. It is well known everywhere that "Coke" Stevenson and Texas have declared War on Hitler, Mussolini, and Hirohito. It is great to be a Texan but the best part of all is coming back home to the Best State in the union, and delightful Decatur in Wonderful Wise.

News Events

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Parish of Dallas are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Dave Reed.

Mrs. W. L. House, Jr., and son, Bill III, of Fort Worth and Miss Imogene Morgan of Dallas have returned to their home after a visit here with Mr. and Mrs. Grady Woodruff.

Mrs. John Musgrove visited Mrs. S. R. Musgrove in Chico, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Grubbs and Max Weaver visited Pvt. William T. Grubbs at Camp Wolters, Sunday.

Miss Woody Shelton of Denton is visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Shelton.

Mmes. Steve Lillard, Jr., of Fort Worth, Mrs. Birch Fuqua and daughter of Alice, Texas, visited relatives in Decatur, Sunday.

Mrs. Hardin Bingham of Lubbock, who was here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Green, was called home, Saturday, on account of the illness of her husband. Mr. Bingham underwent an appendectomy, Saturday night.

Misses Betty Joe and Nettie Beth Adams of Duncan, Ariz., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Parker.

Mrs. Geo. Haines and Mrs. Chas. McDonald of Walters, Okla., visited Mrs. Jim St. Clair, Thursday.

Margie Powell underwent a tonsillectomy in a local hospital, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ovid Shelton and family of Ardmore, Okla., spent their vacation here, last week, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Shelton, and Mrs. A. G. Shelton.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester R. Olson of Trenton, N. J., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Fowler.

John Lambert and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carson attended a reunion of the Lambert family in Waxahatchie, Sunday.

E. H. Rant of Dallas is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ben Williams.

Mrs. Charles Allen Cates has returned from a visit with her mother in Roane, Texas.

Lt. and Mrs. Ralph Bell and children of Louisville, Ky., and Mrs. Ted Harrison and daughter of Wichita Falls were guests in the home of Mrs. W. W. Williams, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Smith of Farmersville are visiting her brother, Mr. J. A. Parr, who is ill in a local hospital.

Miss Clifton Marie Winbush of Shreveport, La., is visiting Miss Bess Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Usry visited his sister, Mrs. J. S. Hair in Irvin, Friday.

Miss Cleo Boas of Bridgeport was guest of Miss Margaret Usry over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Lory D. White and son and Mrs. C. A. Cartwright and Miss Ava White were Fort Worth visitors, Tuesday.

Mrs. Syd Hardwick and Mrs. Lee Cartwright were Fort Worth visitors, Tuesday.

Robert Sellars of Jacksonville, Fla., is visiting his family here.

POLIO—

and in cleaning vegetables which are to be served raw. Such vegetables should be thoroughly washed and rinsed before being served.

It is imperative that all foods and drinks be properly protected from flies, filth and rats. The housefly, which used to be known as the "typhoid fly," will probably get the new name of the "infantile fly" because of its possible transmission of this terrible disease. Therefore, at the earliest possible moment all waste material, such as garbage where fly breeding is going on, all places of filth, such as faulty toilets, faulty septic tanks and uncared for stables, should be cleaned up.

If the general public will only practice and follow the rules of public health and sanitation, this disease can be, to a large extent, controlled and kept to a minimum. Be exceptionally careful about proper sewage disposal, does milk of lime solution on unprotected sewage wastes and other wastes to prevent fly breeding, screen completely all outdoor toilets, watch sanitation of your water supply, use pasteurized milk if at all possible, wash carefully and thoroughly all foods that are used uncooked, disinfect all possible fly breeding places, carry on a rat eradication campaign, and KEEP CLEAN!

Back the attack by upping your payroll savings your very next payday. Measure your savings by your new higher income.

--- SOCIETY ---

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

Order of the Eastern Star Install Officers

On May 18, 1943, at a stated meeting of Decatur Chapter No. 543, Order of the Eastern Star, the annual election of officers was held, and on June 1, the following officers were installed:

Minnie Walker—Worthy Matron.
W. O. Bailey—Worthy Patron.
Hortense Fullingim—Associate Matron.
Dr. T. G. Rogers—Associate Patron.

Catherine Richter—Conductress.
Laura Ash—Associate Conductress.

Pearl Renshaw—Secretary.
Luna Stokes—Treasurer.
Myrtle Rogers—Chaplain.
Bernice Clifton—Marshal.
Annie Milligan—Organist.
Mollie Milligan—Adah.

Elmer Vernice Walker—Ruth.
Irene Woodard—Esther.
Eunice Whittaker—Martha.
Clyde Dillehay—Electa.
Minnie Griner—Wardor.
Birdie Morris—Sentinel.

Worthy Matron Minnie Walker immediately appointed her committees and the work for the ensuing year has been laid out in an attractive Year Book.

On July 20, Mrs. Florence Holt was initiated into the order in an impressive ceremony, with a number of members and visitors present.

Mr. Raymond Kinsey of College Station visited friends in Decatur, Sunday.

Mrs. Ben Moore visited her husband in Tyler, Texas, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Moore have returned from a two weeks' stay in Marlin, Texas.

Miss Mary Alice Parr of Waco is visiting Miss Aquilla Faye Young.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Wilkerson visited Mrs. E. P. Cook, over the week end.

Eugene Davenport of Texas A. and M. visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. B. Davenport, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harding of San Antonio are visiting relatives in Decatur.

Mrs. Hale Cates of Fort Worth visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cates, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jordan of Fort Worth visited Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Breedlove and other relatives here, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Martin and Mrs. A. H. Clement of Fort Worth visited

BERNICE NEAL CIRCLE MEETS WITH MRS. FINLEY MONDAY

Bernice Neal Circle of W. M. U. met with Mrs. W. H. Finley Monday, July 26. The Circle treasurer, Mrs. C. K. Wilkerson, reported all apportionments have been met. The Bible lesson was conducted by Mrs. Floyd Clifton. The circle will meet with Mrs. J. A. Woodard August 9. Bible lesson, Mark 9 through Luke 6. Each member is supposed to read a chapter per day.

relatives here, Sunday.

Mr. Mark Hanna and daughter and Miss Jessie Griffith of Denton visited relatives and friends here, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Simmons, Jr., of Los Angeles, Calif., visited his parents, Judge and Mrs. J. A. Simmons, last week.

Mrs. Jene Kincaid and baby of Burkburnett are visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Ward.

Mmes. Robert Sellars, Ben Grubbs, Mattie Brown and B. A. Man were Fort Worth visitors, Monday.

Mr. T. H. Young of Electra visited Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Beall and family, over the week end.

Condensed Statement of FIRST NATIONAL BANK IN DECATUR, TEXAS

At the Close of Business June 30, 1943

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$193,582.27
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures	10,850.00
Other Real Estate	400.00
Federal Reserve Bank Stock	2,750.00
U. S. Government Bonds	\$482,631.40
Federal Land Bank Bonds	45,000.00
Other Bonds	304,456.89
Cash and Exchange	634,068.85
C. C. C. Cotton Loans	44,800.00
TOTAL	\$1,718,539.41

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus	41,500.00
Undivided Profits	20,079.46
Deposits	1,606,959.95
TOTAL	\$1,718,539.41

The Above Statement is Correct.—E. P. Gibson, Cashier

AUCTION SALE

Decatur Auction Sale and Trade Barn

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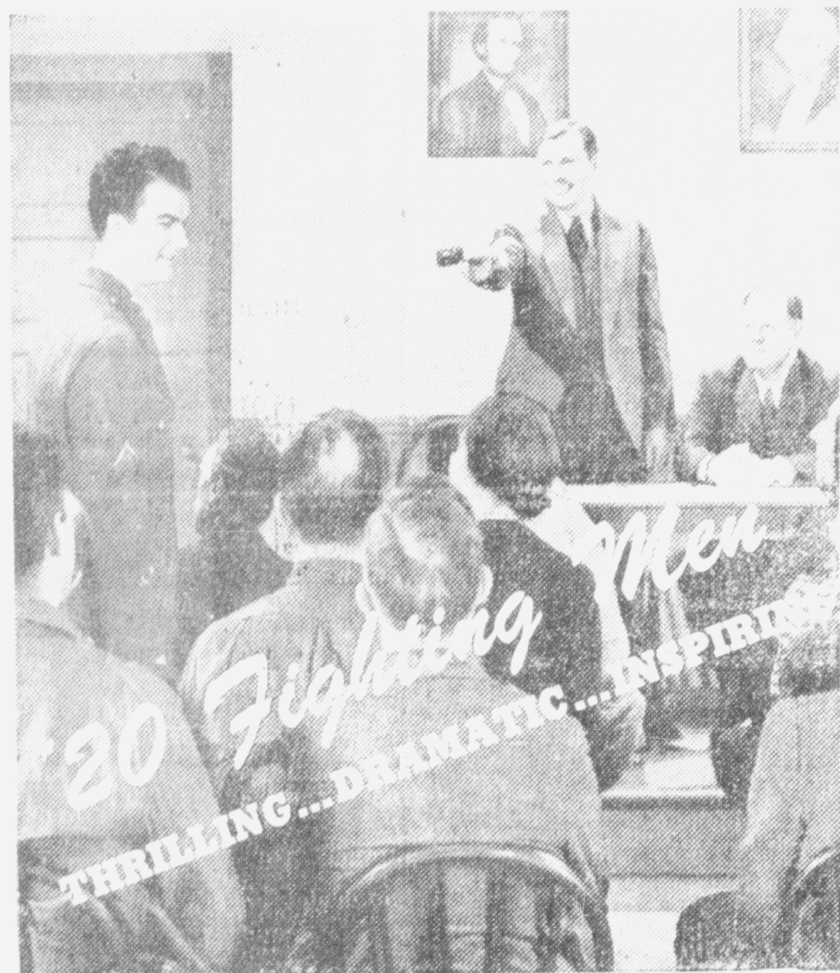
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SALE STARTS 10:30 a. m.

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